

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of history; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day is celebrated in many countries around the world to recognize women for their achievements without regard to divisions, whether national, ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic, or political.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor of the City of Reno, do hereby proclaim

Wednesday, March 8, 2006 as INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

In and for the City of Reno, and urge all citizens to acknowledge the important role women have played in the history of America and the world, by looking back on past struggles and accomplishments, and more importantly, by looking ahead to the untapped potential and opportunities that await future generations of women.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Reno, Nevada to be affixed this eighth day of March 2006.

Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor
City of Reno

ATTEST:

Lynnette Jones, City Clerk
City of Reno